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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Kelly et al. ) Examiner: Unknown  
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For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING AND  
COMMUNICATING THE REMAINING LIFE OF A BATTERY IN AN  
IMPLANTABLE NEUROLOGICAL TISSUE STIMULATING DEVICE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please add the following new claims:

37 (New). A method of electrically stimulating nervous tissue in a patient, comprising the steps of:  
implanting in the patient a pulse generator having a power source, and a lead connected to the pulse generator;  
stimulating nervous tissue with electrical pulses generated by the pulse generator and communicated by the lead;  
controlling the pulse generator within preset limits by the patient to adjust stimulation of nervous tissue;  
determining the status and remaining life of the power source as set forth in claim 1.

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